Title: Revival of the Indian Drugs and Pharamaceuticals Limited (IDPL) and Smith and Strainstreet Pharmaceuticals Limited (SSPL).

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Now, the House will take up 'Zero Hour'.

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA (BANKURA): Sir, the Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited and Smith and Stanistreet Pharmaceuticals Limited are the two public sector pharmaceuticals limited....(*Interruptions*)

SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY : Sir, the Tehelka people have been responsible for the stock market crash....(*Interruptions*)

उपाध्यक्ष महोदय : ज़ीरो आवर व्यवस्थित होगा तो आपको भी चांस मिलेगा।

SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY : Sir, the Tehelka people have been involved in the stock market thereby destabilising the country. They have caused loss to the exchequer to the tune of Rs.14,000 crore.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy, today's 'Zero Hour' is going to be up to one o' clock.

SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY : I will take a fraction of time in the 'Zero Hour', but please give me a chance.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: You will get the chance. But just now I have given the floor to him.

...(*Interruptions*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: By this, you are wasting the time of your own 'Zero Hour'. It is up to one o' clock only today.

...(*Interruptions*)

श्री मोहन रावले (मुम्बई दक्षिण मध्य) : उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, क्या आज सबको चांस मिलेगा?â€¦ (व्यवधान)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Mohan Rawale, I have given the floor to him.

श्री मोहन रावले : हमें कैसे चांस मिलेगा।â€¦ (व्यवधान) हम लगातार नोटिस दे रहे हैं।â€¦ (व्यवधान) मुम्बई शहर में मिल मजदूरों का आन्दोलन शुरू है।â€¦ (व्यवधान)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Mohan Rawale, I have given the floor to him.

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA : Sir, the Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited and Smith and Stanistreet Pharmaceuticals Limited are languishing for a long time. These two public sector pharmaceutical undertakings were set up to produce life saving drugs. IDPL has got three units. They are at Risikesh, Hyderabad and Gurgaon. IDPL was set up to manufacture life saving drugs and to provide drugs to the poor people at a cheaper rate. These two Public Sector Undertakings were referred to the BIFR and the BIFR had asked the Government to submit a revival proposal. But the Government of India is yet to submit its revival proposal to the BIFR. These are two pharmaceutical undertakings.

The Prime Minister is here. He knows the problem of IDPL. We met him several times and he had also assured that the Government would take necessary action to revive the IDPL. In spite of the assurance given by the Prime Minister, no action has been taken by the Government of India.â€¦ (*Interruptions*) Shri Yerrannaidu, you are also interested to revive the IDPL because the larger unit is located at Hyderabad.

Your delegation also met the Prime Minister a number of times.

We would like to know what action the Government would take in regard to revival of IDPL and SSPL. SSPL is located in the State of West Bengal. It is a small unit and not much funds are required for its revival. For IDPL, the Government should take immediate action to revive the undertaking. ...(*Interruptions*) Workers of IDPL have not received their salaries for two months. ...(*Interruptions*) Workers are starving. So, immediate action should be taken to revive these two important pharmaceutical public sector undertakings.

Thank you. ...(*Interruptions*)

SHRI AJOY CHAKRABORTY (BASIRHAT): Sir, I associate with him on this subject. ...(*Interruptions*)